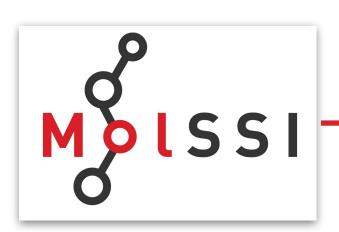


The Molecular Sciences Software Institute

... a nexus for science, education, and cooperation for the global computational molecular sciences community.

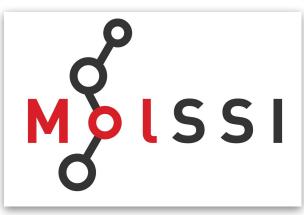
Computational Molecular Sciences (CMS)

- A broad field including quantum chemistry, computational materials science, and biomolecular simulation
- The history of CMS reaches back decades to the genesis of computational science.
- CMS is now a "full partner with experiment".
- For an impressive array of chemical, biochemical, and materials challenges, our community has developed simulations and models that directly impact:
 - Development of new chiral drugs;
 - Elucidation of the functionalities of biological macromolecules;
 - Development of more advanced materials for solar-energy storage, technology for CO₂ sequestration, etc.



CMS Codes Are Developed and Used Globally



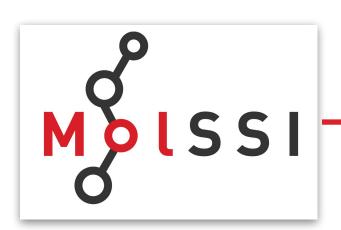


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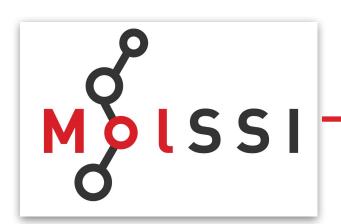
These codes represent decades of development by thousands of programmers, and are used by hundreds of thousands of scientists worldwide.





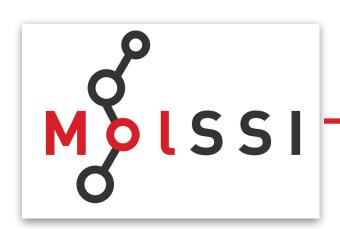
Code Complexity and Historical Legacy

- CMS programs contain millions of lines of hand-written code and require hundreds of programmers to develop and maintain.
- Incredible language diversity: F77, F90, F95, HPF, C, C++, C++11, C++14, C++17,
 Python, perl, Javascript, etc.
- Incredible algorithmic diversity: structured and unstructured grids, dense and sparse linear algebra, graph traversal, fast Fourier transforms, MapReduce, and more.
- The packages have evolved in an ad hoc manner over decades because of the intricacy of the scientific problems they are designed to solve.



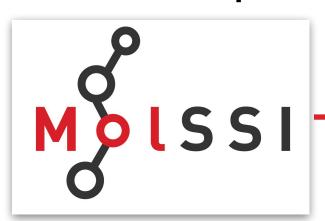
Rapidly Evolving Computing Hardware

- Multi- and many-core architectures are the norm, but many CMS codes are developed with limited view to parallel task management.
- Reduced-power solutions will also require improved error recovery and checkpointing at the software level – capabilities absent in nearly all CMS codes.
- Anticipated architectural innovations will yield even greater hardware complexity more advanced accelerators, specialized computing cores, reconfigurable logic...
- Many CMS codes (especially for quantum chemistry) are limited to sharedmemory paradigms and cannot yet take advantage of GPUs or large-scale distributedmemory systems.



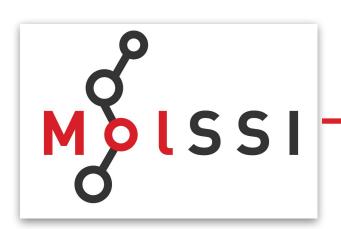
Inertia in the Scientific Education Culture

- Undergraduate programs in chemistry and physics typically require no training in software development or programming.
- Graduate programs in these areas require minimal coursework between the bachelor and Ph.D.
- Most computer science students lack the underlying knowledge of the scientific domains to help develop creative software solutions.
- Due credit for software development is elusive due to a culture that judges productivity based on citations of peer-reviewed papers.
- Thus, a "just get the physics working" approach pervades much of CMS software development.



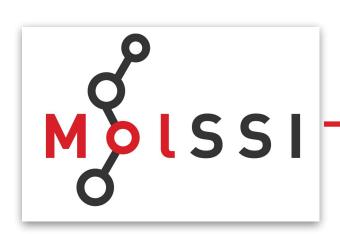
What is the MolSSI?

- Launched August 1st, 2016, funded by the National Science Foundation.
- Collaborative effort by Virginia Tech (TDC), Rice U. (C. Clementi), Stony Brook U. (R. Harrison), U.C. Berkeley (T. Head-Gordon), Rutgers U. (S. Jha), U. Southern California (A. Krylov), Iowa State U. (T. Windus), and U. Michigan (D. Zgid).
- Part of the NSF's commitment to the White House's National Strategic Computing Initiative (NSCI).
- Total budget of \$19.42M for five years, potentially renewable to ten years.
- Joint support from numerous NSF divisions: Office of Advanced Cyberinfrastructure (OAC),
 Chemistry (CHE), and Division of Materials Research (DMR)
- Designed to **serve** and **enhance** the software development efforts of the field of computational molecular science a broad domain that includes quantum chemistry, computational materials science, and biomolecular simulation.



Who is the MolSSI?

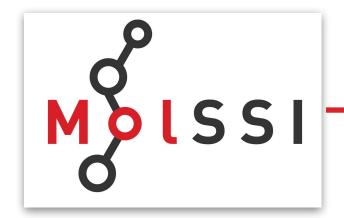
- Software Scientists: A team software engineering experts, drawn both from newly minted Ph.D.s and established researchers in molecular sciences, computer science, and applied mathematics.
- <u>Software Fellows</u>: A cohort of ~35 graduate students and postdocs supported simultaneously and selected from research groups across the U.S. by the MolSSI's Science and Software Advisory Board.
- Board of Directors: Eight PIs who oversee the MolSSI's activities and provide guidance and expertise.
- <u>Science and Software Advisory Board</u>: Representatives from academia, industry, national laboratories, and international facilities who advise the MolSSI on the most important software priorities for the community.
- <u>Community-Code Partners</u>: Approximately 40 computational molecular science software packages whose developers work with the MolSSI on standards, training, and infrastructure.



MolSSI Goal #1

To Provide Software Expertise and Infrastructure...

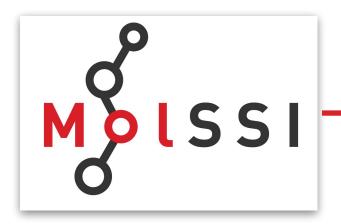
- MolSSI works with CMS research groups nationwide and internationally to design, develop, test, deploy, and maintain key code infrastructure and frameworks for the entire community.
- MolSSI interacts with partners in industry, NSF supercomputing centers, national laboratories, and international facilities to identify and act on emerging hardware trends, access leading-edge computing architectures, further educational goals, set software priorities, and identify future workforce career paths.



MolSSI Goal #2

To Provide Education and Training...

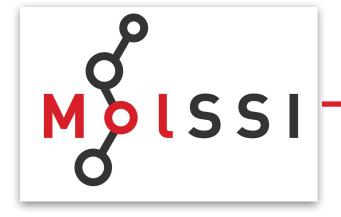
- MolSSI serves as an education and outreach nexus for the worldwide CMS community.
- MolSSI organizes summer schools, targeted workshops, high-school and undergraduate training programs, and on-line resources and classes to provide current and future CMS students with a modern and complete set of programming skills.
- MolSSI reaches beyond the traditional student cohort to computer scientists and mathematicians seeking interdisciplinary applications.



MolSSI Goal #3

To Provide Community Engagement and Leadership...

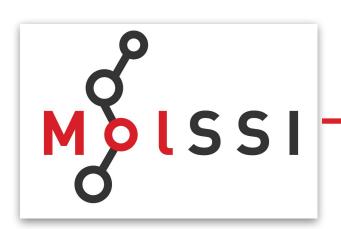
- MolSSI will enable the CMS community to establish its own standards for interoperability, best practices, and curation tools.
- Through a "grass roots" approach, MolSSI engages the community broadly using interoperability workshops and focus groups to catalyze the consensus needed for standardization of data structures, APIs, and frameworks for the entire CMS software ecosystem.



MolSSI Software Scientists

- A team of ~12 software engineering experts, drawn both from newly minted Ph.D.s and established researchers in molecular sciences, computer science, and applied mathematics.
- Dedicated to multiple responsibilities:
 - Developing software infrastructure and frameworks;
 - Interacting with CMS research groups and community code developers;
 - Providing forums for standards development and resource curation;
 - Serving as mentors to MolSSI Software Fellows;
 - Working with industrial, national laboratory, and international partners;

Approximately 50% of the Institute's resources directly support the MolSSI Software Scientists.



MolSSI Software Scientists



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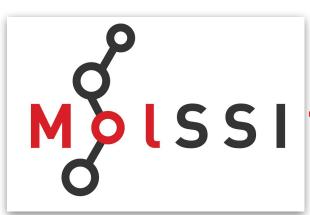
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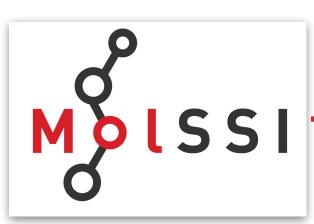
A Sample of MolSSI Software Infrastructure Projects

- MolSSI/EMSL Basis-Set Exchange an overhaul and expansion of the well-known basis-set exchange originally developed by Pacific Northwest National Labs with more than 40,000 unique visitors per month;
- MolSSI Integral Reference Project (MIRP) provides both reference data and reference implementations of common integrals found in computational chemistry;



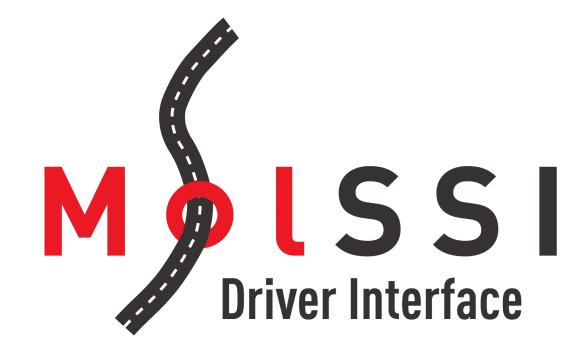
 MolSSI QCArchive – open, community-driven, multi-use quantum chemistry databases of benchmarks, force-field-related datasets, and other information for data mining and other machine learning initiatives

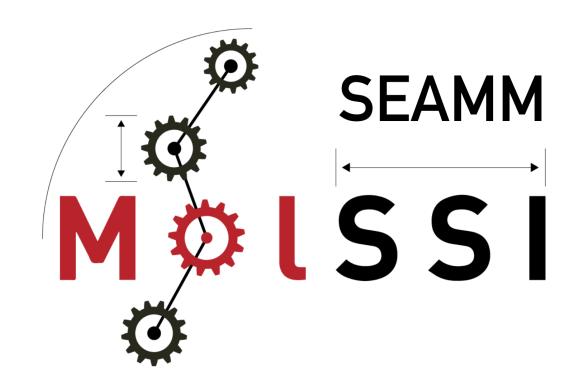
 MolSSI QCSchema – a JSON-based standard for common data to enable more complex workflows among quantum chemistry codes;



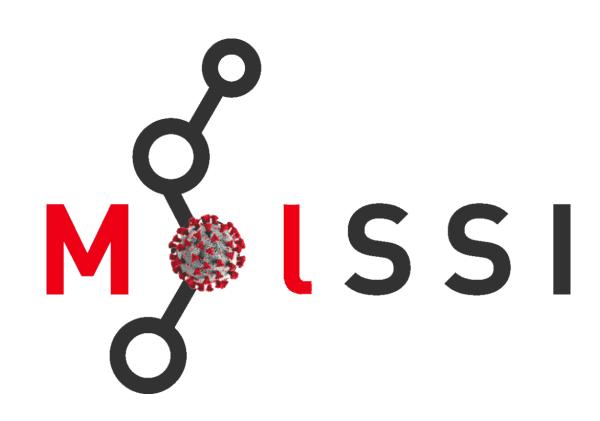
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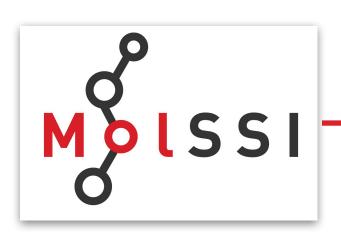
 MolSSI Driver Interface – provides a standardized API for fast, onthe-fly communication between computational chemistry codes;





- MolSSI SEAMM (Simulation Environment for Atomistic and Molecular Modeling) – a user-friendly computational environment for creating and running simulations of molecular, crystalline, amorphous, and fluid systems that are described at the level of atoms;
- MolSSI COVID-19 Molecular Structure and Therapeutics Hub a community-driven data repository and curation service for molecular structures, models, therapeutics, and simulations related to computational research related to therapeutic opportunities for fighting the COVID-19 pandemic.

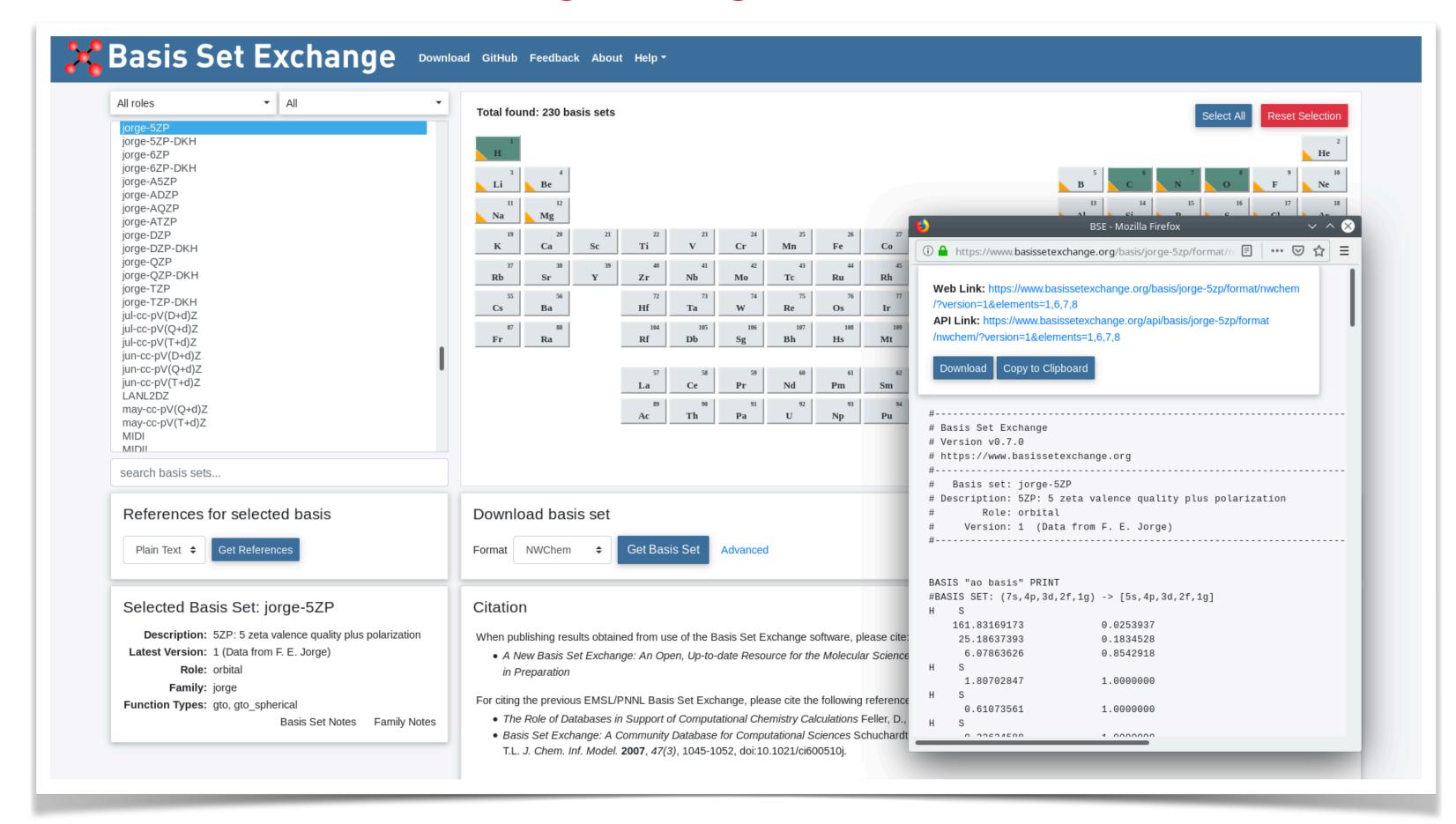


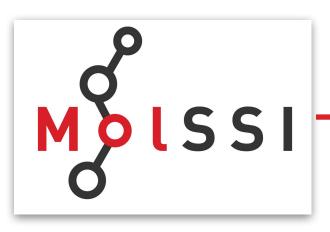


The Basis Set Exchange (BSE):

basissetexchange.org

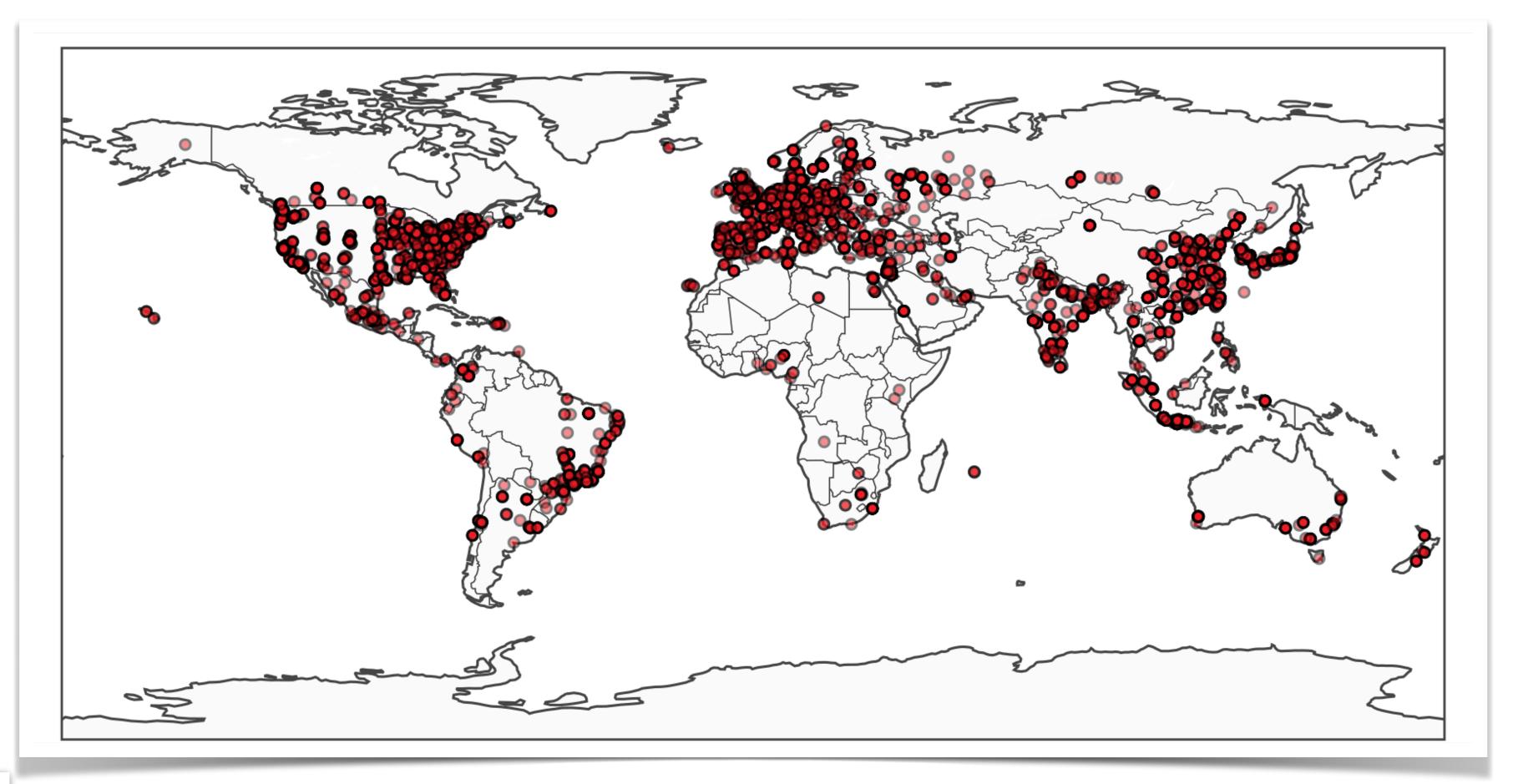
- Original launch: June 1, 2019
- Website & library continuing to be actively maintained and expanded
 - •~600 basis sets
 - •21 formats
- General approval of new features
 - Direct links to basis sets is a common use case
 - Conversion between formats
- Very popular with users!

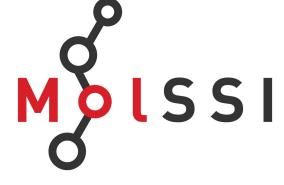




Users of the Basis Set Exchange Website

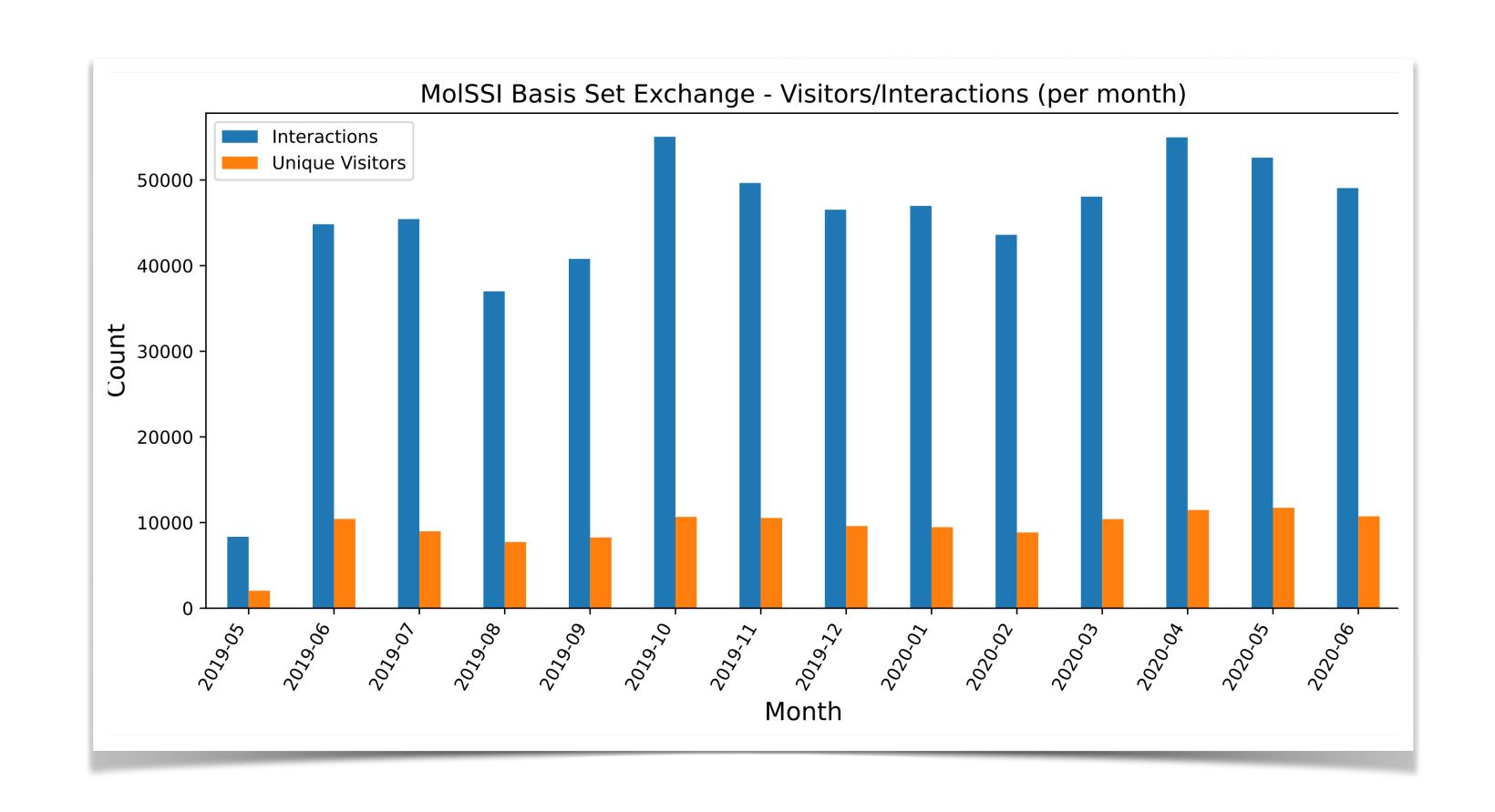
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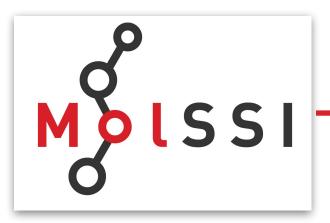




The Basis Set Exchange (BSE): basissetexchange.org

- Usage is steady for the past year
- Users perform multiple actions
- Month of June 2020:
 - 10,700 Unique Users
 - •49,000 Actions
 - •21% Visitors are from US





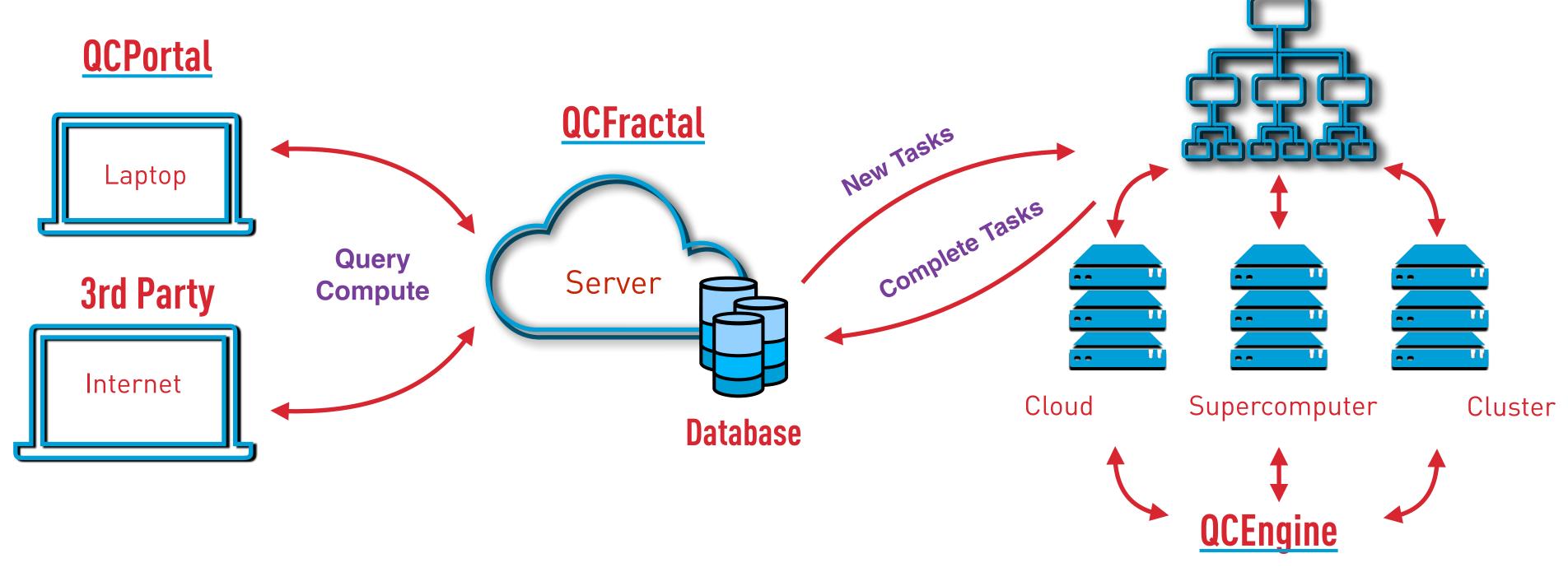
QCArchive Overview

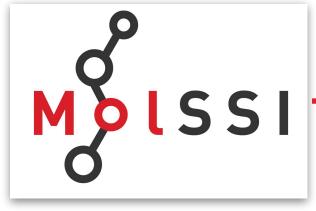
Goals:

- High-throughput quantum chemistry on multi-physical site compute
- Laptop to campaign-scale compute orchestration
- Procedures run with a variety of different programs
- Common abstraction and organization layers
- Share and collaborate via structured data



Distributed Compute





Software Scientists: Current: Benjamin Pritchard, Doaa Altarawy, Sina Mostafanejad

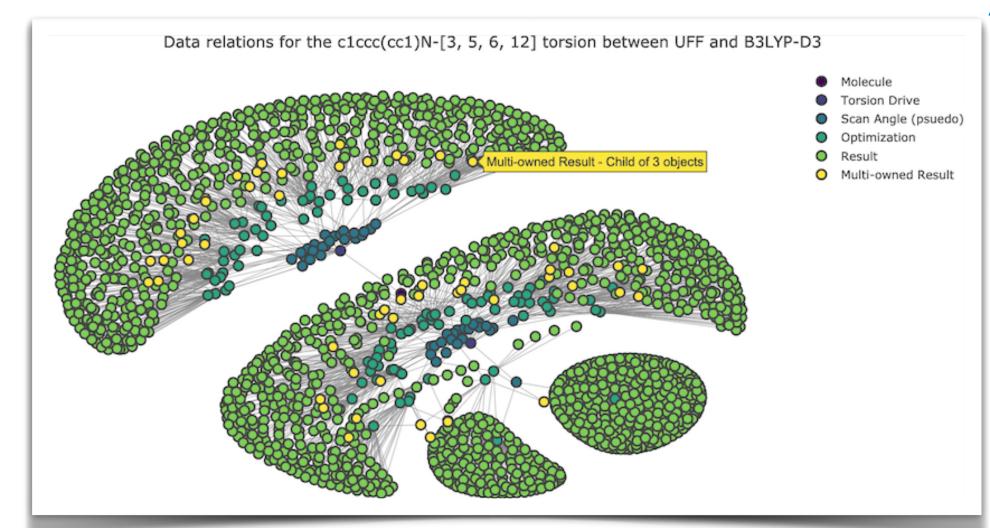
Former: Daniel Smith, Matthew Wellborn, Levi Naden

QCArchive: Software Ecosystem

QC Archive

A MolSSI Project

- Quantum chemistry software projects for all CMS developers
- Developed openly on GitHub (312 summed Github stars)
- Major external contributors:
 - Amir Kimiyaie (Virginia Tech, GRA)
 - Lori Burns (Georgia Tech)
 - David Dotson (OpenFF)
 - Trevor Gokey (OpenFF)
 - John Gentle (TACC)



QCSchema

 Standardized I/O for quantum chemistry

QCElemental

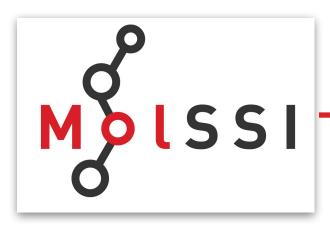
- Units
- QCSchema Models
- Molecule Parsing
- Visualization

QCEngine

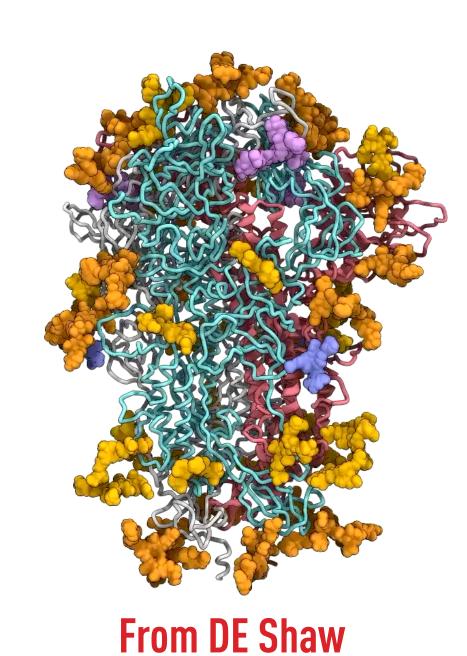
- Runs external CMS software
- Consumes and produces QCSchema
- Not just quantum chemistry

QCFractal

- Structured data
 storage and retrieval
- High-throughput calculations
- Python interface
- Visualization



MolSSI COVID-19 Molecular Structure and Therapeutics Hub covid.molssi.org



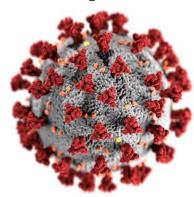
Major open-access data and tools repository spun up in a matter of weeks

- Partnership between MolSSI and BioExcel
- Contributions are rapidly reviewed and vetted by community expert volunteers
- Submissions can be tagged with DOIs upon request
- Large-scale contributions from dozens of around the world;
- Dozens of organizations contributing or in talks: Folding @ Home, AWS, Microsoft AI for Good, Human Brain Initiative, JEDI, D.E.
 Shaw, Open Science Grid, PRACE, IRIS-HEP, Zenodo, CERN, etc.
- Led by MolSSI co-Director Teresa Head-Gordon

COVID-19 Molecular Structure and Therapeutics Hub

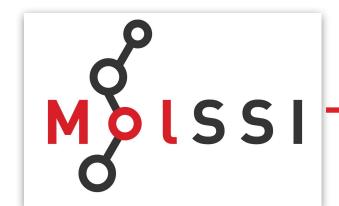
Viral/Host Structural Data ▼ Therapeutics ▼ Tools Contribution ▼ About ▼

Aggregating critical information to accelerate drug discovery for the molecular modeling and simulation community.



What is this hub about?

This site provides a community-driven data repository and curation service for molecular structures, models, therapeutics, and simulations related to computational research related to therapeutic opportunities for COVID-19 (caused by the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus). For more info about this project, see the about page. This is a public process and we encourage people to not only submit data through Pull Requests or the Large Data Submission Request form, but we also encourage people to be part of our Review Teams and help look over the data. For instructions on how to contribute, please see the contributing page.

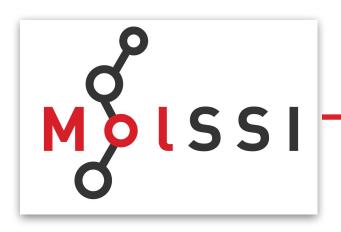




MolSSI Software Fellows

- A cohort of ~35 Fellows supported simultaneously graduate students and postdocs selected by the Science and Software Advisory Board from research groups across the U.S.
- Fellows work directly with the Software Scientists, thus providing a conduit between the Institute and the CMS community itself.
- Fellows work on their own projects, as well as contribute to the MolSSI development efforts where appropriate, and they engage in outreach and education activities under the Institute guidance.
- Funding for MolSSI Software Fellows follows a flexible, two-component structure, providing up to two years of support.

Approximately 30% of the Institute's resources directly support the MolSSI Software Fellows.



MolSSI Software Fellowship Program



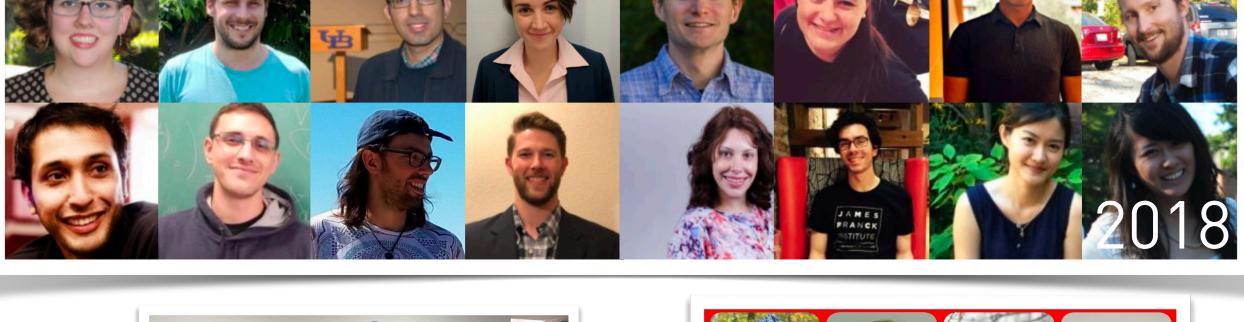


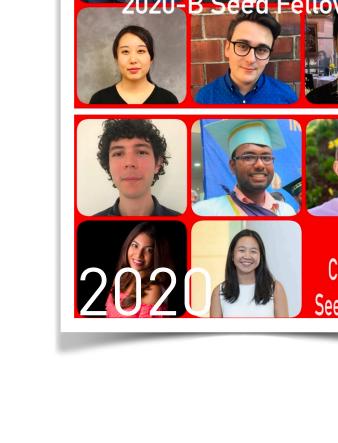








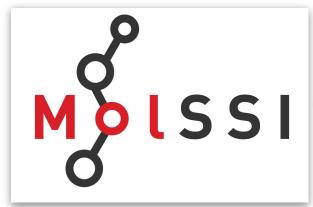






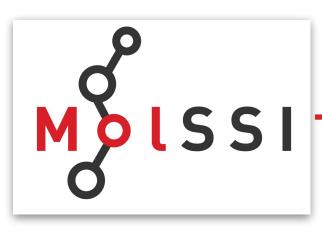






MolSSI Software Fellowship Program: Impact

- We currently support 35 Fellows simultaneously for a total of 75 funded over the lifetime of the project.
- MolSSI Software Fellows report at least 43 publications, 72 presentations, and 46 source code repositories arising from their projects so far.
- MolSSI Software Fellow Internships, Employment, and Awards:
 - Assistant Professorship at Emory University
 - NVidia GPU-Accelerated Data Analytics Software Internship
 - Schrödinger, Inc. Machine Learning Summer Internship
 - Corning, Inc. NSF Internship Program
 - DeepCure, Inc. Computational Chemist
 - Google, Inc. Software Engineering Internship
 - Q-Chem, Inc. Internship
 - 2019 Michigan Institute for Computational Discovery and Engineering Fellow
 - Peter A. Rock Price in Physical Chemistry, U.C. Davis
 - Best Poster Award at the 2019 Conference of the International Society of Theoretical Chemical Physics
 - Junior Research Award from the Institute for Advanced Computational Science
 - American Physical Society Travel Award
 - Fellows Society, Florida State University



MolSSI Community Code Partners So Far...

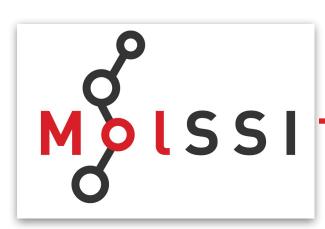
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- Gaussian
- Gromacs
- LAMMPS
- OpenMolcas
- Molpro
- MOPAC
- MPQC
- MRChem

- NAMD
- NWChem
- NWChemEx
- ONETEP
- OpenMM
- Orca
- PARSEC
- PCMSolver
- PLUMED
- PQS
- PSI4

- PySCF
- Q-Chem
- QBox
- QMFlows
- QuantumESPRESSO
- Schrödinger
- Tiger-CI
- Turbomol
- VASP

We encourage all community codes in the computational molecular sciences to work with us!

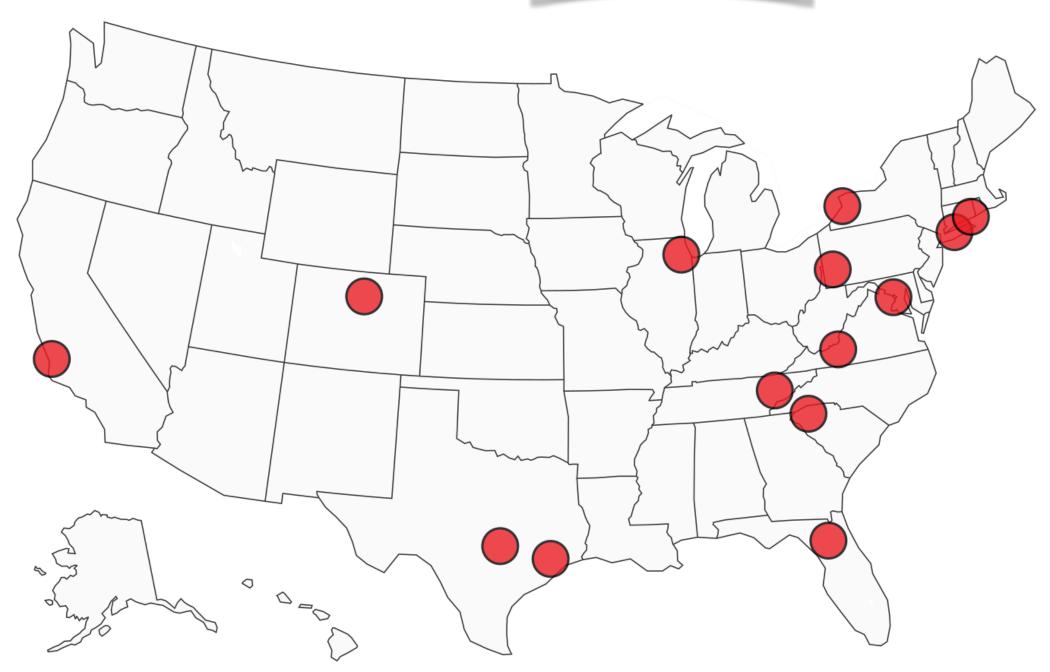


MolSSI Education Milestones 2019



Dr. Jessica Nash MolSSI Education Lead

- 17 events held in 2019 including biennial MolSSI Software Summer School and 5 day camp for undergraduates at Rice University
- Over 450 students participated in person in MolSSI Education events last year
- Large expansion and development of workshops and online resources



Locations of 2019 and early 2020 MolSSI Education Events



MolSSI Software Summer School - 2019

- 2 week, 50 student summer school at the Texas Advanced Computing Center (TACC) in Austin, TX.
- 10 day curriculum Python, C++, Parallel Programming, MolSSI "Best Practices"
- 9 out of 11 software scientists participated as instructors.
- Three software fellow instructors.





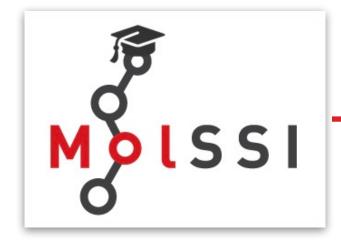
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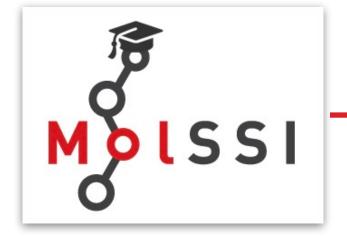


Responding to COVID-19

- MolSSI Education usually operates on a personal, face to face basis
- In response to covid-19, we had to rethink all of our 2020 plans
- MolSSI Education reacted quickly announcing our first webinar series on March 24, 2020

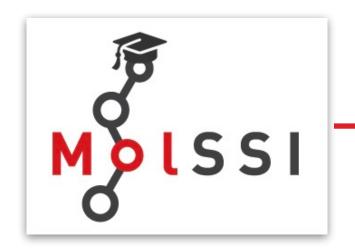


 Have held three webinar series - April, May, and June. All have had 50+ students and hit registration caps in less than 24 hours.



Expansion of Online Materials

- Python Package Development Best Practices material rewritten to more accurately reflect student needs.
- **Python Data Analysis** Lessons made to follow Python Scripting Workshop to give more information about Python libraries numpy and pandas
- Parallel Programming Parallel Programming with MPI and OpenMP. Lessons expanded by Taylor Barnes
- QM Tools Introduces several types of quantum chemistry calculations a student might use, including geometry optimizations, inter- and intra-molecular potential energy scans, and energy calculations.
- MM Tools Introduces molecular dynamics simulations using the software OpenMM, and analysis of simulation results using MDTraj.
- ab initio MD hands-on introduction to concepts in computational molecular science through the development of a simple molecular dynamics program using forces derived from ab initio calculations.



MolSSI Webinars

- April 2020 Python Data and Scripting Webinar Series (55 students registered)
- May 2020 Python Package Development Best Practices (61 students registered)
- June 2020 Python Data and Scripting Fast Track Series (for summer research students) (105 students registered)**

**For the June webinar, we focused on undergraduates - special registration period for MERCURY and MU3C



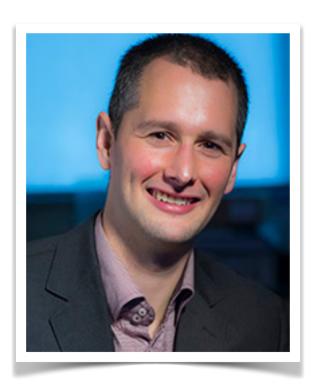
MolSSI Webinar Instructors



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Prof. Jay Foley
William Paterson University



Dr. Dominic Sirianni University of Richmond



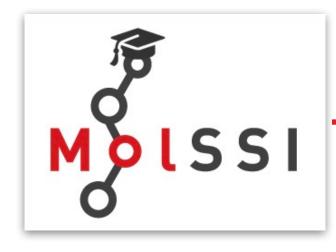
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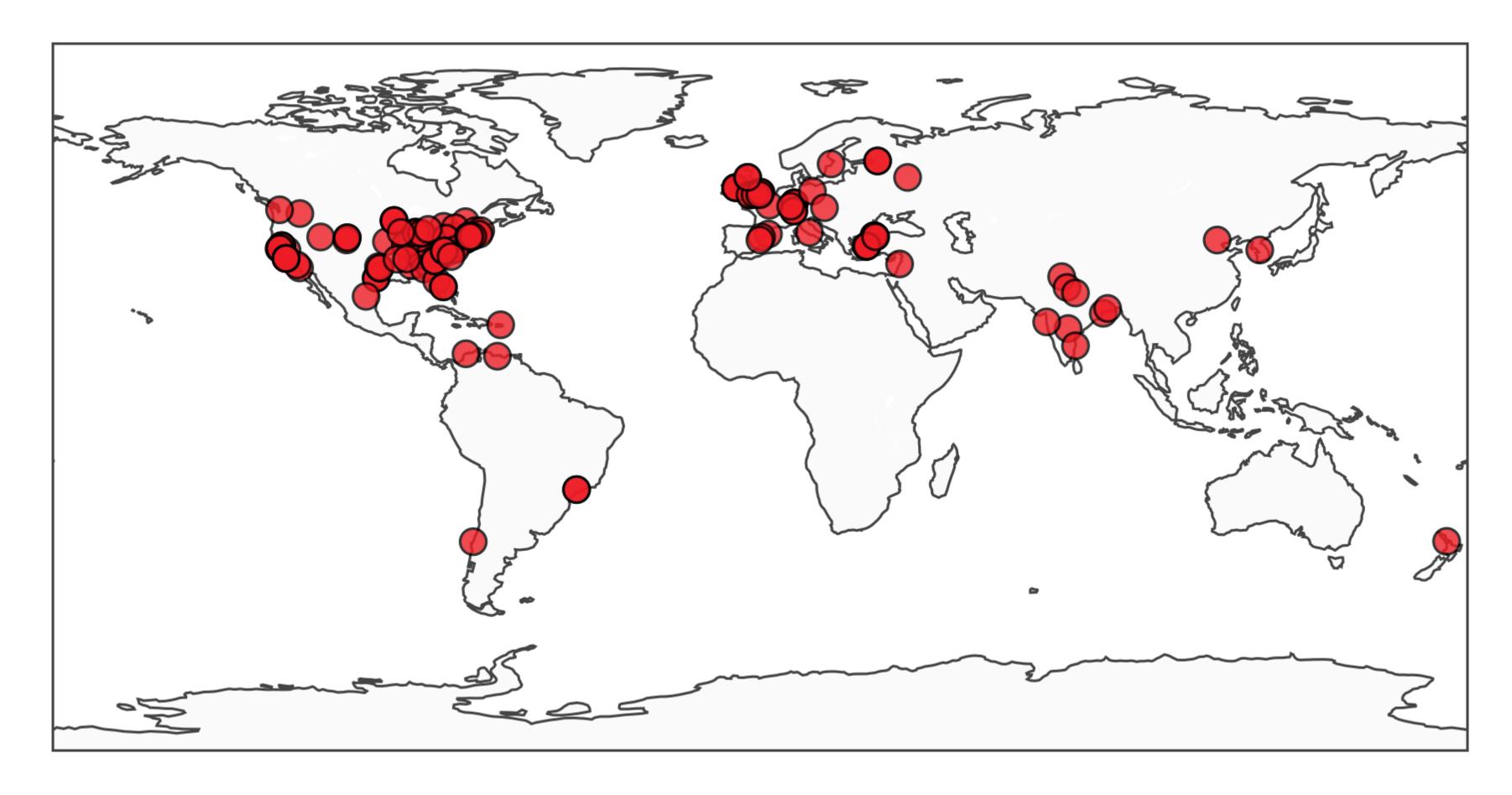
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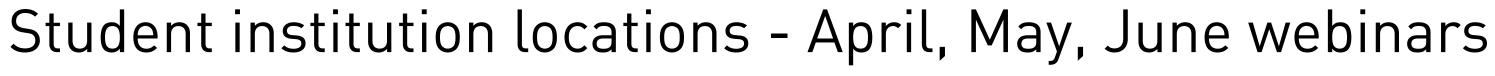


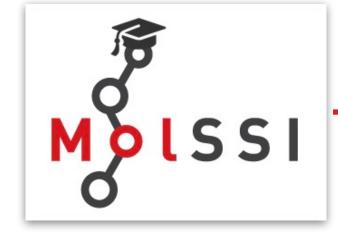
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MolSSI Webinars Reach a Global Audience







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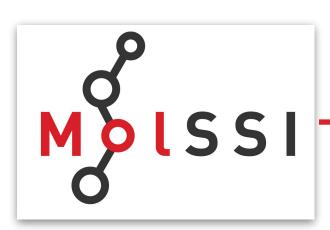
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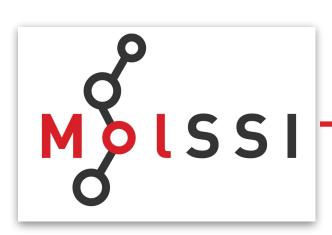


<u>Dominika Zgid</u>, U. Michigan, Co-Director for Materials Science



MolSSI Highlights So Far

- Twelve Software Scientists on board, and we are continuing to add to our team.
- 25 software workshops with more than 850 participants so far; many more virtual workshops planned during the pandemic.
- New software components currently under development including an open QM database (QCArchive), a general QM/MM driver, a new basis set exchange, a user-friendly environment for complex workflows, and more.
- Hundreds of students directly engaged so far in two Software Summer Schools, "Best Practices" workshops, Software Fellowship bootcamps, undergraduate programming schools, and webinars. Many of our educational curricula are now available online.
- 35 Software Fellows currently supported for a total of 75 Fellows funded overall.
- Our COVID-19 molecular structure and therapeutics hub is engaging the global biomolecular simulation community.



Acknowledgments

- The many dozens of members of the CMS community who helped to develop the vision for – and reality of – the Institute over the last seven years;
- NSF 0AC-1547580.

Watch molssi.org for the latest information!

